

CONFIDENTIAL RECORD SHEET
REGISTRATION AND FULFILLMENT SERVICE
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

DATE 12-18-71

FULL NAME FISHER, WALTER LEE
(No initials if you can possibly get full name)

ADDRESS [REDACTED] LETTERMAN GENERAL HOSPITAL - PRESIDIO

CITY SAN FRANCISCO STATE CALIFORNIA ZIP CODE 94129

AGE 22 (This is important and should be exact)

APPROXIMATE AGE (To be used ONLY when exact age is not known)

RELIGION PROTESTANT NATIONALITY

OCCUPATION U.S. ARMY - SPEC. 4

EDUCATION HIGH SCHOOL

WEIGHT 170 COLOR WHITE HEIGHT 5'-11"

COLOR OF HAIR SANDY COLOR OF EYES BLUE

OUTSTANDING CHARACTERISTICS OR INTERESTS

MARRIED OR SINGLE SINGLE CHILDREN
(Number, ages, and names, if possible)

WIFE'S NAME

SCOUTING CONNECTIONS:

<u>UNIT #</u>	<u>CITY</u>	<u>STATE</u>	<u>OFFICE</u>	<u>DATE REGISTERED</u>	<u>DATE RESIGNED</u>
<u>TROOP 121</u>	<u>SAN FRANCISCO</u>	<u>CALIF.</u>	<u>CARLISLE</u> <u>(SM)</u>	<u>MAY 1971</u>	<u>NOVEMBER 1971</u>
SPECIAL RECOGNITION <u>NONE</u>					

RECOMMENDED FOR CONFIDENTIAL FILE FOR FOLLOWING REASONS:

UNFIT FOR YOUTH LEADERSHIP - ADVANCES TO BOYS - RELATING TO MEMBERS OF TROOP OR PERSONAL SEXUAL EXPERIENCES. POOR JUDGEMENT LEADING TO CONTINUED CONFLICTS.

Signed [Signature]

SCOUT EXECUTIVE

Council [Signature]

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SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA COUNCIL #28
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA • [REDACTED] Oakland, CA 94606 • [REDACTED]

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President

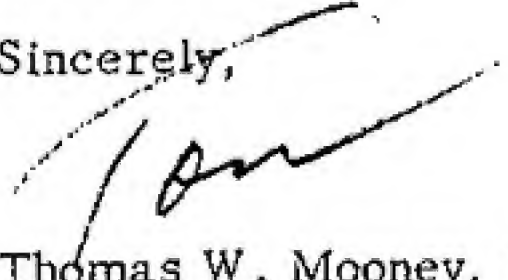
January 31, 1972

Mr. Paul Ernst, Supervisor
Registration and Membership
National Council
Boy Scouts of America
North Brunswick, New Jersey 08902

Paul:

The attached should complete the file on Walter Lee Fisher. We have retained photocopies of these in our office files.

Sincerely,


Thomas W. Mooney, II
Scout Executive

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Enclosure

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Mr. Walter F. Fisher
[REDACTED]
Bakersfield, Calif.
93305

Sam Farler, Director of Personnel
National Council, BSA

[REDACTED]
Irving, Texas 75062-1296

Dear Sir,

I am in the process of writing a book on the subject of the RedoFile. I am writing it in cooperation with the Foundation For America's Sexually Exploited Children, Inc. And in conjunction with going on national television with Jill Hadad from the Foundation, to prevent child molestation. I am writing this book as a RedoFile

One of the chapters deals with what the different organizations who deal with our youth can do to prevent the RedoFile from being able to infiltrate their organization. I would like to know if your organization has a program on a national level to prevent such infiltration.

The reason that we would like your cooperation on this matter is that with the first portion of my book being about the many boys that I molested (Some during the time that I was a Scout Master in your organization.) we wish to show that there are precautions taken to prevent such things, so that the book dose not leave your organization in a bad light.

We would also like to have any information that you or any of your local chapters might have on myself. Inclosed you will find a list of dates and chapters I was working with. Thank you for any help you can offer us.

Sincerely,
Walter F. Fisher
Walter F. Fisher

January 22, 1972

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

To Whom It May Concern:

Lee Fisher had stayed in our home several times and gave no indication of his character until one night when my wife was staying with her mother. I told him he could sleep on our bed because he didn't feel well and I went to visit my wife for about an hour; when I returned Lee was asleep (so I thought) on our bed and, because it is a King size bed I decided to let him sleep and climbed in on the other side. When he thought I was asleep he began to fool around -- first with himself and then he tried to fool with me. I let him know that I was not asleep and he stopped.

The next day I had a talk with one of my boys who was in his troop, San Francisco Troop 121, and [REDACTED] admitted, reluctantly, that Lee Fisher had tried to fool around sexually with him also. [REDACTED] stopped Lee by threatening to tell me about it.

Other stories have been told but are not of my personal knowledge and therefore would be considered hearsay but with what I know and what I have personally experienced with Lee would lead me to believe he is not suitable to lead boys of any kind especially boys in a large group like a boy scout troop.

Sincerely yours,

[REDACTED]

Scout Master - Troop 121 San Francisco

January 20, 1972

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

To Whom It May Concern:

Last year for approximately three months the young soldier in question, Walter Lee Fisher, resided in our home. We have three sons and a daughter; the boys were, at that time, all members of San Francisco Troop 121 -- the oldest two were Star Scouts and the youngest, 11 years old, a new Scout brought into the troop by Mr. Fisher.

In the course of his stay here at our home the boys complained about several actions on his part. Our little boy, [REDACTED], was on an Enueretic Program which awakened him during the night and he had to wash his face until fully awakened and then void. Mr. Fisher slept in the hall and it turns out that he would pull [REDACTED] into his bed at night and massage him all over including the area around the genitals. [REDACTED] didn't tell us until after Mr. Fisher left our home, but he did tell us that he didn't want to sleep with Mr. Fisher because he was afraid of him.

The two youngest boys also complained of him playing ju jitsu and putting his hand over their genital area telling them it was part of ju jitsu. The 14 year old, [REDACTED], told him not to touch him anymore but he continued when alone with [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] said he was afraid to tell us because of Mr. Fisher's temper.

We also discovered from our little 8 year old girl and her friend that he had, on occasion, taken baths with the door open fully knowing there were little girls present in the house.

It may seem strange that we didn't know all of this while he resided with us but we rarely go upstairs in the evening and his manners in our presence were very polite so we didn't suspect anything amiss.

On the other hand, the children were afraid of him with his very bad temper and sometimes, they said, he physically pinned them down enough to make the 2 little ones cry. We feel that this man is not suitable to be a Boy Scout leader.

[REDACTED]

January 5, 1972

Mr. Thomas W. Mooney ■

Scout Executive

San Francisco Bay Area Council, No. 28

Personal and Confidential

Re: Walter Lee Fisher

Dear Mr. Mooney:

Thank you for the confidential record sheet concerning Walter Lee Fisher. We have placed this information in our file.

In order to place this man on the Confidential File, we would need a written detailed letter from someone directly involved with this man, who would be willing to support our action of placing him in our file. This material is most important for future reference purposes, should Mr. Fisher attempt to register from another council.

With conditions such as they are today, we need as much documentation as we can get to support our placing this man's name on the Confidential File. Your cooperation will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Supervisor
Registration and Membership

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December 7, 1971

Mr. Thomas W. Mooney 2nd
Scout Executive

San Francisco Bay Area Council, No. 28 **Personal and Confidential**
Re: Walter Lee Fisher

Dear Mr. Mooney:

Thank you for your letter of November 22nd and the attached material concerning Walter Lee Fisher. We have placed this information in our file and have taken steps to have his name deleted from our records.

We would very much appreciate your sending us more documentation such as a written note from the boys involved or from their parents. This is most important for future references and it would certainly strengthen our position of refusing to accept any future application for registration we might receive from this individual.

Enclosed is a confidential record sheet which we would appreciate your filling out and returning to us as soon as possible. This information will enable us to identify Mr. Fisher, should he ever again attempt to register in the Scouting program.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Supervisor
Registration and Membership

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SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA COUNCIL #28
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA • [REDACTED] Oakland, CA 94606 • [REDACTED]

Donald R. Arnold
 President

November 22, 1971

Mr. Paul Ernst, Supervisor
 Registration and Membership
 National Council
 Boy Scouts of America
 North Brunswick, New Jersey 08902

Paul:

The attached material is to support our request that Mr. Walter Lee Fisher, who has been registered as Scoutmaster of Troop 121 be placed on the Confidential File.

Please advise us concerning further action to be taken.

Sincerely,

Thomas W. Mooney, II
 Scout Executive

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 Enclosure

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NO RESERVATION
November 18, 1971
Nov 29 4 28 PM '71

WALTER LEE FISHER - Scoutmaster, Troop 121 sponsored by Star of the Sea Catholic Church.

Occupation - Spec. 4 U. S. Army - Letterman General Hospital
Presidio of San Francisco.

Description - approx. 5 ft. 10 in. - light brown hair -
white male - single. Age 22.

Raised in Bakersfield, California.. Was in Scouting there
as a boy. Parents still reside there.

After many requests, Fisher was referred to the committee of Troop 121 of the Star of the Sea Catholic Church as a potential assistant leader. The committee met him and because they had no Scoutmaster asked him to assume that position in the Troop. This was in April of 1971.

Fisher had had no prior training as a Scoutmaster and was allowed to take the Troop on weekend outings which he did willingly by himself. These included the Spring Camporee, Summer Camp in August at Camp Royaneh, and numerous other weekends. His only help on these outings was from men in the Army who were friends of his. The fathers from the Troop were delinquent in not insisting that one or two of their members were present at all times. Fisher did discourage their help, however.

At a parents' committee meeting July 31, 1971, at which Fisher was present, strong objections were made by parents who reported their sons relating stories that were told at campfires by the Scoutmaster (Fisher), which were accounts of his (Fisher's) early sexual experiences. He also condoned the telling of stories with sexual undertones by the older boys in the troop with the young eleven year old boys present. Fisher admitted to these and promised to cease in the future.

During the above meeting no further allegations were made and the Troop went to summer camp under Fisher's leadership. There were complaints about the Troop's activities in camp.

One of the families who attended the July 31st meeting withdrew their three sons from the Troop and would not let them attend camp under Fisher's leadership. In an interview held November 16 with this family the whole story of why the above action was taken came out. It seems that Fisher had lived with this family for two months and unknown to the father and mother had made improper advances to all three boys. The parents became suspicious and the boys when asked told the whole story of their experiences with Fisher. Another father and his son also had similar experiences. All of these were related to the District Executive during the interview held November 16. All can be documented if necessary. The writer feels that this is unwise because of the embarrassment it could cause.

Fisher submitted his resignation as Scoutmaster on November 1, 1971 and it was accepted by the committee who are now aware of the entire proceedings leading up to this report. The Troop committee has made no charges in this matter as the family and boys involved are no longer members. The committee's only complaint involves the stories and language reported at the July 31st meeting, and a further complaint from the October Fall Camporee where boys were submitted to humiliating "initiation" ceremonies involving the undressing of boys.

It is the recommendation of this office that Walter Lee Fisher be placed on the Confidential List of the Boy Scouts of America, and that he not be allowed leadership position in Scouting in the future. A copy of this report is being forwarded to General Moncrief, Commanding General, Letterman General Hospital, for whatever action he may wish to take.

Richard B. Gilbert
District Scout Executive
Golden Gate District

RBG:js
cc: File
General Moncrief
Mrs. A. [REDACTED]